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Silver Taps tonight

Silver Taps will be conducted in front of the Academic Building tonight at 10:30 in memory of the following students: Mark Allen Legler, a junior management major from LaGrange who died Jan. 14; Scott Winston Anderson, a graduate student in statistics from Nacogdoches who died March 6; and John Clark "Jack" Hutchison, a junior sociology major from College Station who died March 6.

Speaker praises independent oil

by John P. Lopez

Battalion Reporter Independent oil companies can be successful in today's society, but only hrough hard work and dedication, Oilman Clayton Williams Jr. told the Society of Petroleum Engineers

"Independent oil companies should be the Avis of the oil business," ne said. "Tight operators in the oil ousiness are much more successful." Avis Rent-A-Car Company's slogan is we try harder.

Williams has been successful even hough he has never had any technical training in the oil business. He received his degree from Texas A&M University in animal husbandry.

"I tried to build my business from he successes of other businesses," he said. "My approach has been to buy land by scouting other people. If somebody is buying a lease, I watch and see how successful it is. If it is successful, I try to expand to my lease

around theirs)," he said. Williams did say, however, that several times he has wished he did have a technical background, but he told the audience not everything can be taught in the classroom.

"I learned the business step by step through experience," he said. "Don't ever think you know all the answers.'

If a company is involved in every aspect of the oil business, it is also more likely to be successful, said Williams, who owns his own drilling and pipe companies.

He also said that petroleum engineers who work for independent companies might have an advantage over those who work for larger com-

"If an engineer works for an independent company," he said, "he has more of a responsibility than if he works for say Phillips or Champion. With a major company, engineers have a long training period and their work is more specialized."

However, he also said, the independent company an engineer works for should be stable.

'Nowadays there are more major companies and major independents, he said, and the fly-by-nighters are falling by the wayside. If an engineer does work for an independent company he has more of a chance of even-tually becoming a consultant or

Run-off elections to be held today

Mike Lawshe and Pat Pearson will compete in a run-off election for the position of student body president today. In last week's Student Government elections, Lawshe received 1,982 votes, 32 percent of the total votes cast, and Pearson received 1,535

votes, 24 percent of the total votes. Class officer positions and posi-tions on the Graduate Student Council also will be decided in today's run-

Class of '83 presidential candidates are Lance Bryant and Joe Meyer. John Dungan and Barbara Brunner will compete for the position of Class of '84 president.

In other class officer run-offs, Bentley Nettles and Brett Smith will compete for the Class of '85 vice presidential position. Running for Class of '85 social secretary are Tracie Woods and Anne Dixon.

George Crowson, J. Black, Bob Armentrout, Jim Garry, Steve Roesller, Bruce Martin, John Fabian and Eloy Corona will compete for College of Agriculture positions in the Gradu-

ate Student Council. Running for positions on Graduate Student Council in the College of Geosciences are Catherine Strong and Chris Dean.

Reagan wants to meet with Brezhnev on nuclear arms

United Press International
WASHINGTON — President
Reagan, insisting the Soviets have a
dangerous nuclear edge over the Un-

ited States, says he would like to meet President Leonid Brezhnev at a U.N. disarmament conference in June.

Reagan announced Monday he would address the United Nations on reducing the nuclear arsenals and said he hoped Brezhnev also would

attend and speak to the conference.

Brezhnev's health, however, is a big question and there have been reports he recently suffered a stroke.

Regardless, White House aides admitted there is no indication Brezhnev is planning to join other world leaders at the United Nations session.

White House aides indicated Reagan, by urging the Soviet leader to attend the conference, was seeking to grab the peace initiative on the nuc-lear deterrent controversy.

At an informal news conference Monday, Reagan said "arms control is one of the most important things fac-ing us, and, as I say, I hope we'll both

Secretary of State Alexander Haig was to follow up Reagan's comments today with a speech stressing the need for a strong defense. Sources said it would address the growing concerns over the continuing superpower nuclear build-up.

The speech was to be delivered Georgetown University International Center for Strategic Studies, a foreign

policy think tank.

In Belgrade Monday, Soviet Foreign Minister Andrei Gromyko joined with Yugoslav leaders in a call for the

ever more dangerous arms race. Gromyko arrived in Belgrade Sunday on his first visit to Yugoslavia since the death of President Josip Broz Tito in 1980. He returns to Mos-

Reagan told his news conference Monday he did not regret picturing America as behind the Soviets in nuclear retaliatory power.

"No, I am not sorry that I said it, because we know for sure the Russians know that," he said. "I think the American people ought to be able to know everything they know."

Britain reportedly knew of Falklands takeover in advance

United Press International LONDON — The British govern-ment, shaken by resignations and criticism of its handling of the Falkland Islands crisis, had evidence Argentina planned the invasion 10 days in advance, news reports said today.

Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher, who has staked her future on re-

taking the islands 450 miles off the coast of Argentina, had no immediate

comment on the reports.

An armada of 40 warships — two-thirds of the British naval force and its largest fleet assembled in 26 years — Monday began steaming the 8,000 miles to the British -colony in the South Atlantic. They are not expected to arrive for two weeks.

Officials in Buenos Aires reported President Leopoldo Galtieri ordered reinforcements for the 4,000-man Argentinian invasion force in the

up to volunteer for the army.

Evidence of top secret Argentine plans for the invasion, including American satellite photographs, was transmitted to London 10 days before

the attack, the Daily Telegraph and the Times of London reported. Quoting "unimpeachable" and "in-telligence" sources, the newspapers said the evidence showed Argentine ships were steaming toward the Falk-

There was no immediate comment from American intelligence agencies. Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington accepted responsibility for Britain's humiliating affront in the crisis and resigned. Thatcher named Francis Pym, former defense minister and House of Commons leader, as his re-

placement. Thatcher, whose government was thrown into its worst political crisis in its three years over the Falklands, also accepted resignations from Deputy

Foreign Secretaries Humphrey Atkins and Richard Luce. Thatcher refused to accept De-fense Minister John Nott's resignation, saying his presence was vital "as our forces prepare for the possibility

of armed action."

Thatcher said the navy was prepared to use force if necessary against Argentina and observers said the future of her Conservative government depends largely on diplomatic and military efforts to win the Falklands

Labor foreign affairs spokesman Denis Healey said Thatcher should have resigned over the affair, claiming she was "primarily responsible for the humiliating experiences Britain

said it was difficult to see how diplomacy could succeed. Asked if she would resign if a British naval force failed to capture the islands, Thatch-

er said:
"Failure?" Queen Victoria once said, 'The possibility does not exist."
Officials advised the 17,000 British citizens in Argentina to leave the

country and consular officers were swamped with phone calls from Bri-tons worried about the possibility of

Rex Hunt, the British governor ex-pelled during the invasion of the Falklands, returned to London and said he surrendered the islands to Argentina with a white flag lashed to the tip of his umbrella. He said he refused to shake hands with the involves' military leader.

Two injured, in apartment fire in C.S.

Fire officials are still investigating the cause of a fire in the Viking Apartments, 1601 Holleman Drive, which destroyed one unit and damaged

The College Station Fire Department answered the call at 1:30 this morning and one fireman was treated for minor smoke inhalation, said Dave Giordano, captain of the department. An 18-year-old woman was taken to St. Joseph Hospital also for smoke inhalation, but she was later

The fire began in building T of the complex, Giordano said. One apartment in the building was destroyed and another received heavy smoke and water damage, he said. Six other apartments also received minor smoke damage.

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Today's Forecast: Sunny, mild and windy with a high near 72 and a low near 52. Wednesday's forecast calls for cloudy skies with a high in the



A child's playhorse sits among other items hurriedly removed from an residence in

the Viking Apartments after the section of the complex caught fire Monday night.